UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

-v-: DECLARATION

: 07 Cr. 973 (KPC)

MAURICE COTTMAN,

:

Defendant.

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- I, Claudia Clark, hereby declare under penalties of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:
 - 1. Mr. Maurice Cottman is the father of my child.
- 2. I live in Apartment 2B at 415 East $157^{\rm th}$ Street in the Bronx.
- 3. Mr. Cottman was staying with me in that apartment in early September 2007 and kept his clothes and other property in it.
- 4. Although I had given Mr. Cottman the apartment door keys, he did not have the key to the outside door.
- 5. I was driven home by a male friend during the early morning of September 9, 2007.
- 6. Mr. Cottman was waiting outside the building. He argued with me and my friend.
- 7. I opened and entered the outside door with Mr. Cottman. Inside the hallway we continued to argue. As we were climbing the stairs, he hit me.
 - 8. Mr. Cottman entered the apartment. I did not.
- 9. When police officers arrived, they asked me what I wanted to do.
 - 10. I told them I did not want to press charges, but wanted

Mr. Cottman out of the apartment and also wanted my keys back.

- 11. I was never asked nor did I give the officers permission to enter or search my apartment.
- 12. An officer told me that a gun was found in my apartment and asked if I was aware of it. I said no.

Dated:	New	York,	New	York
			,	2007

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